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SUBJ: PROPOSED TO US OF MINISTER RAJ NARAIN

REF: STATE 178679

1. APPRECIATE QUICK RESPONSE TO OUR CABLES ON NARAIN,
AND ESPECIALLY DECISION ON IV FUNDING.

2. RAJ NARAIN'S SPECIAL ASSISTANT CHITRANGAD SINGH
HAS NOW TOLD US THAT THEY WOULD PREFER TO RECEIVE
AND UNDATED INVITATION AND THEN WORK OUT THE TIMING
"ACCORDING TO OUR CONVENIENCE." HE THEN WENT ON TO
SAY THAT NARAIN'S OWN TRAVEL PLANS HAVE CHANGED SOME-
WHAT. HE NOW FEELS THAT HE CANNOT LEAVE INDIA FOR
MORE THAN A WEEK AT A TIME, AND CONSEQUENTLY WOULD
PREFER TO MAKE A TRIP EXCLUSIVELY TO THE US. THIS
WOULD EFFECTIVELY PRECLUDE HIS COMING IN AUGUST.
FURTHERMORE, BECAUSE OF HIS PARTY RESPONSIBILITIES
NARAIN CANNOT LEAVE INDIA WHEN PARLIAMENT IS IN
SESSION. SINGH THOUGHT AN OCTOBER VISIT WOULD BE
POSSIBLE PROVIDED THE WINTER SESSION OF PARLIAMENT
WAS NOT GOING ON AT THAT TIME. OUR PRESENT INFORMA-
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TION IS THAT PARLIAMENT WILL NOT RPT NOT BE IN SESSION
DURING OCTOBER. A FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT THE
DATE FOR THE NEW PARLIAMENTARY SESSION WILL BE MADE
WHEN THE PRESENT SESSION CONCLUDES AROUND AUGUST 8;
WE WILL REPORT FURTHER AT THAT TIME.

3. WE SUGGEST A LETTER FROM SOMEONE OF SUITABLE

STATURE, PERHAPS SECRETARY OF HEW, INVITING THE
MINISTER TO WASHINGTON AT SOME MUTUALLY AGREEABLE
TIME, MIGHT FIT THE CIRCUMSTANCES. THIS WILL GIVE
HIM THE INVITATION LEAVING THE TIME TO BE NEGOTIATED.
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